

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL MEMORANDUM**

**HB 2109 - SB 2150**

March 14, 2022

**SUMMARY OF BILL AS AMENDED (015894):** Requires the Department of Health (DOH), in collaboration with the Bureau of TennCare, to study existing doula certification programs. Authorizes DOH and the Bureau to receive input from parties concerned with the study and requires them to provide a report on the study to the Tennessee General Assembly and the legislative librarian by December 31, 2022.

**FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL AS AMENDED:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Pursuant to the proposed legislation, doula services mean services provided by a trained non-medical professional to support women and families throughout labor and birth, and intermittently during the prenatal and postpartum periods.
- The proposed legislation can be accomplished within existing DOH resources and personnel.
- Any costs associated with creating and distributing the report are not significant.

**IMPACT TO COMMERCE OF BILL AS AMENDED:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumption for the bill as amended:

- The provisions of the proposed legislation will not result in any significant impact to jobs or commerce in Tennessee.

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**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first name "Krista" and last name "Carsner" being more prominent than the middle name "Lee".

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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